AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the claims with the claims provided in the listing below wherein status, amendments, additions and cancellations are indicated.

- 1. 4. (Cancelled).
- (Previously Presented) The hyperthermia method according to claim 41,
 further comprising covering the magnetite with cationic liposome.
 - 6. 10. (Cancelled).
- 11. (Currently Amended) A method for treating a malignant tumor comprising:

administering cytokine to [[a]] <u>said</u> malignant tumor; and subjecting said tumor to hyperthermia, wherein

said subjecting said tumor to hyperthermia comprises administering magnetic fine particles to said tumor and heating said magnetic fine particles;

said magnetic fine particles comprise magnetite or ferrite or permalloy; and

the cytokine is interleukin-2.

12 - 13. (Cancelled).

14. (Currently Amended) A method for treating a malignant tumor comprising:

administering cytokine to [[a]] <u>said</u> malignant tumor; and subjecting said tumor to hyperthermia, wherein

said subjecting said tumor to hyperthermia comprises administering magnetic fine particles to said tumor and heating said magnetic fine particles;

said magnetic fine particles comprise magnetite or ferrite or permalloy; and the cytokine is a granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor.

- 15. 34. (Cancelled).
- 35. (Previously Presented) The hyperthermia method according to claim 11, wherein said magnetic fine particles comprise ferrite.
- 36. (Previously Presented) The hyperthermia method according to claim 11, wherein said magnetic fine particles comprise permalloy.
- 37. (Currently Amended) The hyperthermia method according to claim 41, wherein said magnetic fine particles <u>have an antibody bound on a surface of said</u>

magnetic fine particles, said antibody being an antibody comprise an antibody which selectively binds to malignant tumor cells.

- 38. 40. (Cancelled).
- 41. (Previously Presented) The hyperthermia method according to claim 11, wherein said magnetic fine particles comprise magnetite.
- 42. (Previously Presented) The hyperthermia method according to claim 14, wherein said magnetic fine particles comprise magnetite.
- 43. (Previously Presented) The hyperthermia method according to claim 42, further comprising covering the magnetite with cationic liposome.
- 44. (Previously Presented) The hyperthermia method according to claim 14, wherein said magnetic fine particles comprise ferrite.
- 45. (Previously Presented) The hyperthermia method according to claim 14, wherein said magnetic fine particles comprise permalloy.

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46. (Currently Amended) The hyperthermia method according to claim 42, wherein said magnetic fine particles <u>have an antibody bound on a surface of said magnetic fine particles</u>, said antibody being an antibody comprise an antibody which selectively binds to malignant tumor cells.